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Students remember the contributions of very special Canadians

BY VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Students of Elk Point Elementary School gained new insight into the realities of war and the reason why they should remember the sacrifices made by Canada's military as they took part in Thursday's Remembrance Day ceremonies.

Scarlet-coated RCMP constables Sean McGee and Troy Feero escorted guests of honour from the Royal Canadian Legion, Mae Hendrickson, Richard Roy and Leroy Smith, to their seats. Mistress of ceremonies Judy Bilak told the students that Roy had joined the military in 1943 and served in Holland, Belgium and France during World War II as well as in the occupation force in Germany after the war was over.

More than one and a half million Canadians have served in the armed forces and more than 100,000 have died "so that we may live in peace," Bilak said. "Today we have the opportunity to remember the contributions of those very special Canadians."

The importance of pausing each November in silent remembrance was reinforced by a short video, entitled, "A Pittance of Time."

Taylor Cochrane further explained the significance of the minutes of silence, while teacher Rob Boyd explained that the Last Post was the bugle call that signaled the end of the military day, while Reveille was the traditional wake-up call at sunrise. Together, the bugle calls punctuated with silence symbolize grieving, recalling fallen comrades and the process of healing.

After the final bugle call faded away, Leigha Bishop and Taylor Cochrane read, "Why Wear a Poppy?" followed by Madeline Ludlage and Meagan Kinaschuk with a reading, "The Flowers of Remembrance."

The focus then turned to a cross topped with a large green wreath on the gym wall. Mae Hendrickson placed a traditional wreath on behalf of the Legion while the two RCMP officers added a second wreath. Then it was the students' turn, with two youngsters from each class marching forward to place poppies on the large wreath. ECS students Corbin Ockerman and Tanysha McCullough led the procession, followed by Sam Pindroch and Dana Gibson, 1A, Brody Odgaard and Morgan Baker, 1B, Nathan Dart-Latremouille and Cheyenne Wruth, 2A, Bowen Krider and Karlee Rinas, 2B, Payton Drobot and Rosie Sam, 3A, Dylan Schell and Tressa Newhook, 3B, Brandon Garrett and Brittney Ference, 4A, Jessy Frisby and Shae Rinas, 4B, Russel Ference and Sarah Harms, 5A, Jarred Dion and Robyn Ziomek, 5B, Brett Ockerman and Desi Rosher, 6A, Matthew Gormley and Sherida Germain, 6B and Peter McGilvery and Charly Frisby, 6C.

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Vicki Brooker Photo

The Flowers of Remembrance

Grade 3B students Dylan Schell and Tressa Newhook place their poppies on Elk Point Elementary School's Remembrance Day wreath last Thursday.

RCMP detachment sets performance plan

BY VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

RCMP Sgt. Darryl Eagles outlined his detachment's performance plan for 2007 at last week's meeting of the Community Advisory Policing Committee.

After community consultations in Elk Point, Frog Lake, Fishing Lake and surrounding areas, Sgt. Eagles determined that issues regarding youth, drugs and gangs were high priorities.

"We've set nine priorities for the coming year," he told the CAPC.

"We're going to get Jason Barber trained as a DARE instructor," he said, noting that

a leader is needed for the other schools since Jason MacFarlane is now serving the Fishing Lake area.

The bullying prevention program will continue, with a major presentation set for January 31 which Sgt. Eagles feels may help to decrease the incidence of gangs.

The other communities in the detachment area are planning activities for youth, Sgt. Eagles said.

"Fishing Lake is starting a free movie night for youth," he said, which would be held Friday nights from 7 p.m. to midnight. Frog Lake, he added, is "trying for two or three activity nights per week" with oppor-

tunities to play floor hockey or volleyball, or to take part in a fitness program. "We want to get the parents involved, too."

The detachment will also "concentrate on drugs again," the sergeant said. We're committed to laying at least six trafficking charges during the year.

Also aimed at curbing drug use in the area will be another visit from illegal drug expert Ian Sanderson, who came to Elk Point as part of the crystal meth presentation. Sgt. Eagles would also like to bring a demonstration of the work of a drug-sniffing dog to local schools.

CAPC member Thomas Kondla handed

around the final report on a provincial study on crystal meth, and said he had heard presentations by both Colleen Klein and Ian Sanderson at the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association convention.

Kondla also provided information on the Alberta Server Intervention Program, which will require one server at all establishments and facilities serving liquor to be trained by January 1, 2007, and all servers to be trained by 2010. "Even volunteer bartenders at weddings will have to be trained," he noted. Free training is available for charitable organizations that serve liquor in their facilities.

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Guests from the Mannville and Vermilion OORP and Elk Point Elks lodges joined the Elk Point OORP in well-coming Supreme Honoured Royal Lady Liz Sport (front row, centre) last Monday evening.

National president visits OORP

BY VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Supreme Honoured Royal Lady Liz Sport visited the November meeting of the Elk Point Order of the Royal Purple last Monday, with representatives of the Elk Point Elks Lodge and Mannville and Vermilion OORP also on hand to greet the special guest.

SHRL Sport is a longtime member of the Shaunavon, SK OORP, and brought along fellow lodge member Betty Petryna on her tour of lodges across the country.

"Strut your purple stuff," is Sport's theme for the year, and she urged the members to "take pride in who we are and what we do. Let the public know about the donations, the scholarships, the school programs and substance abuse programs we support, and the donations we make to the Elks

and Royal Purple Fund for Children." The Elk Point OORP, she noted, have contributed over \$5,000 to that fund in the past three years, and thus have "helped to make the quality of life better for the less fortunate."

Royal Purple members must "remember the fun we've had, the dances, the teas, conventions and conferences," she said. "Think of the personal development you gain, the leadership and organizational skills, and think of the friendships that have developed. Some of my closest friends I met at Royal Purple."

With dwindling memberships across the country, Sport suggested members, "think what would happen if we ceased to exist. It could happen sooner than you think. The bottom line is, we're losing members faster than we're gaining new ones. There are too many voluntary withdrawals and suspensions. We cannot afford to lose up to 500 members a year."

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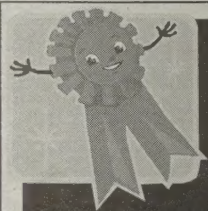
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Six St. Paul Education schools dealing with deficits

By RACHEL DE WAAL
Review Contributor

Six schools in the St. Paul Education Regional Division are running deficits, but only Elk Point Elementary and Glen Avon are at the critical stage said Secretary-Treasurer Jean Champagne at last week's school board meeting.

He said the Elk Point school's budgeting problems were primarily tied to staffing and that it would have to deal with that this year.

"At GA, it's longer term, from '00-'01," said Champagne. "They are whittling away at their deficit. We are not expecting schools will be able to take care of it in one year."

Deputy Supt. Carmen Brodziak said having a deficit has been challenging for GA principal Debbie Thorne, who would like to do more, but doesn't want to run another deficit.

New Glen Avon School

The weather has caused construction on the new GA school to slow down, said Champagne.

He said the plan has been reviewed for combined Career and Technology Studies facilities for GA and Regional High School.

"Our first priority is to address GA needs," said Champagne. "The sooner we get approved and started, the better off we'll be."

Operation and maintenance

Doug Fedoruk, director of facilities, reported to the board on the cost overruns of some recent projects.

While paving the parking lot at the Mallaig School, crews discovered an abandoned septic tank beneath the lot and had to rectify the situation, said Fedoruk.

Thirty people are on the in-town busing wait list and Fedoruk said he would try to use some rural routes to accommodate between one-third to one-half of those on the list.

"To put a town bus on, financially we just can't do it. In fall, we should review raising rates for in-town busing," said Fedoruk.

He also suggested the board consider buying standardized shirts for custodial staff that work during the

day or at public events.

"More and more divisions are going that direction. It looks very professional," said Fedoruk. "It's our image that we're portraying."

St. Paul Solution

The board is continuing talks with Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education, said Trustee Doug Millar.

"There is ongoing discussion between infrastructure and St. Paul Education and infrastructure and (East Central Francophone Regional Division)," said Millar.

SPERD's main concerns are the acquisition of Parcel A and that a joint Racette-St. Paul Elementary school be at least 8,200 sq. metres.

Parcel A is a rectangular block of land along the east side of the French Cultural Centre's parking lot. It extends approximately from the basketball court to main street.

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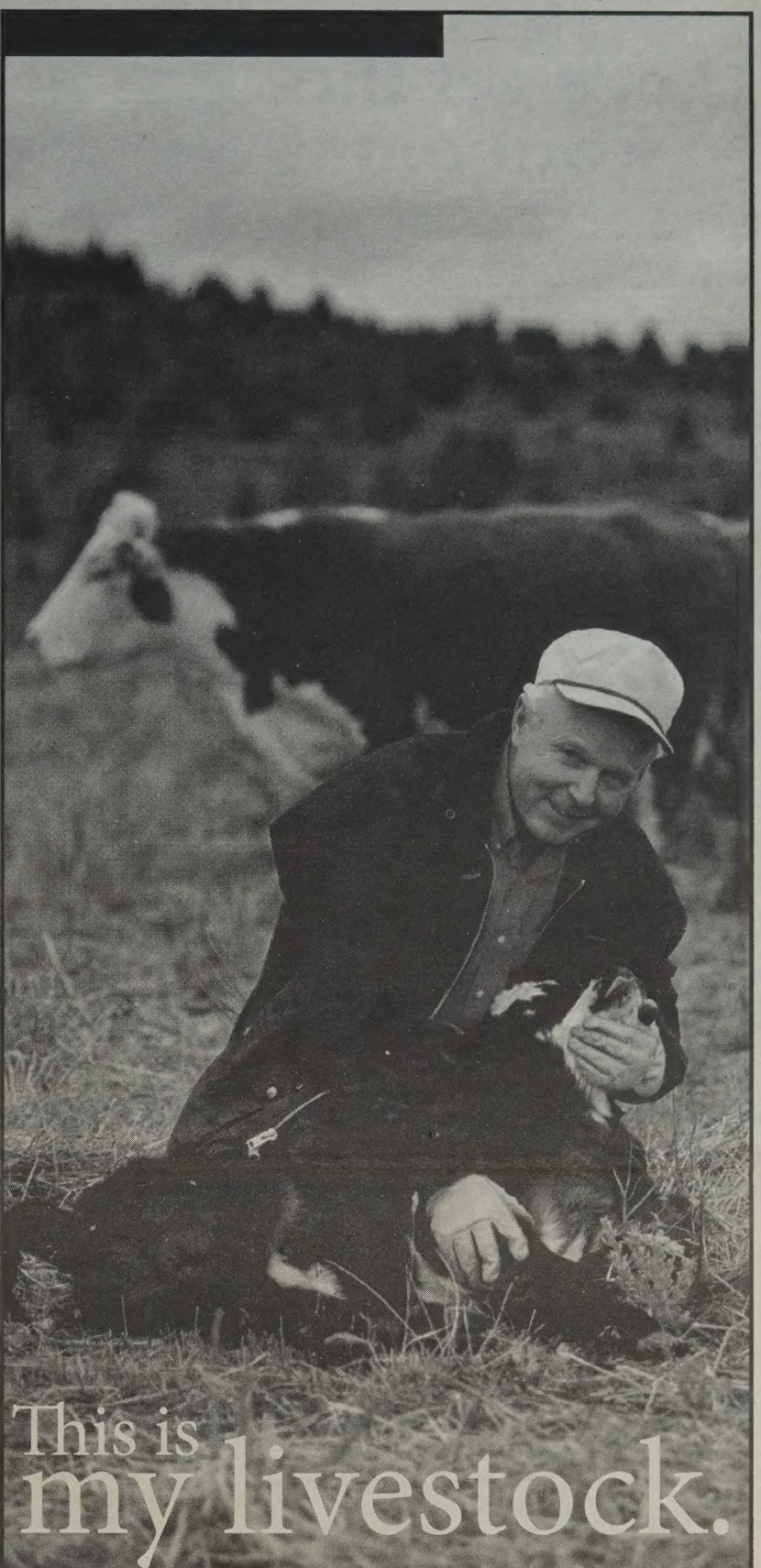
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Let's get the word out

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The more news we can spread about what's going to be happening in Elk Point, the more visitors we will attract to our community next summer. The more visitors we have, the more revenue that will come to our local businesses and tourist attractions.

The tourist publications aren't the only way of doing this. The Town of Elk Point has an ever-increasing line-up of activities listed on their website, and in today's computer-literate world, that's where many people will find out exactly what's going on.

If your group has the dates set for upcoming events, let the world know. That's as easy to do as calling the ladies at the town office and asking to have them put on the website and included in the lists they forward to the tourist associations.

We know we have lots going on here, but the rest of the world will only know if we do our part and get the word out.

WAY BACK WHEN...

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HERE'S THE MEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE ELK POINT REVIEW AND THE LAKELAND REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 14 IN...

1986

Eight weeks of closure for Highway 41 through Elk Point cut profits for businesses along the southernmost two blocks, who said customer numbers had dropped dramatically during the highway widening project. The Alberta Cattle Commission's plan to increase check-off fees from 80 cents to \$1.50 per head did not sit well with cattle producers in the area who attended the ACC's election meeting.

1991

The carved wood statue of fur trade era explorer Peter Fidler was lifted into place at the north entrance to Elk Point, with the dedication ceremonies for the new landmark held the following day, 199 years to the day after Fidler set out from the newly completed Buckingham House trading post on his historic tour of discovery to what is now southern Alberta. Six exchange trip visitors from Roberval, Quebec were welcomed to Beaver River constituency and to Elk Point with a dinner in their honour, and were presented with Bicentennial Assumption sashes.

1996

Elk Point Liquor and Cold Beer Store was named Elk Point's Business of the Year, with other nominees including Hillside Service and Quality Time Bus Lines. Plans for an oilfield waste processing facility on Highway 640 were unveiled by Newalta Corporation at an open house in Landonville Hall.

2001

World War II veterans Sid Holthe, Carl Dembicki and Bruce Hovdestad were the guests of honour at F. G. Miller High School's Remembrance Day observances, hosted by the Grade 11 students. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce president Eugene Buck said "disgruntled members and non-members are more than welcome at our meetings," and invited them to "come here and do it" if they thought they could do a better job than the current executive.



Vicki Brooker photo

Students share Christmas joy

Elk Point Elementary School students sent over 100 bulging shoeboxes filled with gifts and personal necessities to less fortunate children overseas, through the Operation Christmas Child program. Students from ECS to Grade 3 and coordinator Diane Dewan surrounded the stack to send warm wishes along with their gifts.

GUEST COLUMN

'Should' becomes 'maybe'

It is in the air. It was election time in the United States last week and now it is election time in the Province of Alberta. "What's that?" you say. Yes, it is election time for the position of premier of the Province of Alberta. Of course, the voting is to only take place by Progressive Conservative Party members who will be able to vote for their new leader. If you are not a member of the Progressive Conservative Party, you will not be able to vote. So, it then become important to pay the membership fee so that you will be able to vote. You can even purchase a membership just before you vote.

Progressive Conservative members will cast their first votes for their choice of eight leadership candidates on Nov. 25. Unless one of the eight gets 50 percent plus one of the votes, the three candidates receiving the most votes will be on a second ballot for Dec. 2. At that time, voters will mark their first, second and third choices, and if there is once again, not a clear majority, ballots for the third place candidates will be allotted to the other two on the basis of those voters' second choices. We have a polling station in Elk Point at the Seniors' Recreation Centre.

Should we all become involved in this election process? It means becoming a member of the Progressive Conservative Party. Now, let me ask you, "is that all it means?" You know, in the province of Alberta, we are all so very fortunate to enjoy what we do enjoy by living here. You have heard the old statement, many others in other

provinces and even the world, don't have what we have. Basically, the foundation of what we have is democracy. What is democracy? According to the dictionary, democracy is government by the people. It is a government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation involving periodically held free elections. Therefore, it can be said, "because we live in a democracy, of course as a people, we will become involved and vote at election time."

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from the FCSS desk



But in reality, to some of us, our 'should' just might become a 'maybe.' That is, maybe we will exercise our democratic privilege of taking time to vote. You know there is a story that took

place on October 6, 1955 when a United Airlines plane crashed in to the top of Medicine Box Mountain in Wyoming. Sixty-five people lost their lives. The pilot was flying at 12,000 feet. If he had been flying at 12,055 feet, the greatest air disaster in American history to that date could have been averted, and the lives of 65 people would have been saved. What a difference a few more feet in altitude would have made to those people and their families. Even though the plane was exerting the power and thrust it needed and everything was riding smoothly, just one little mistake made a big difference.

Let us take an example from this accident and make sure we all make it over the last few feet. Don't let it be said that we were riding smoothly and then suddenly found that we had not put forth enough effort to get us over the top. Let us look at our democratic attitude and become involved. Let us take time to vote and let us become involved in making a difference. To become involved in voting for the premier of the Province of Alberta is exciting. What a great opportunity. Let us not make our 'should' a 'maybe.' Let us make our 'should' a 'do it.' After all, we are the people who live in the Province of Alberta, and yes, we do care.

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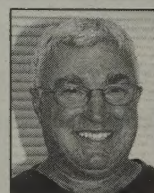
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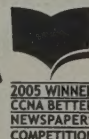


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October highlights from Heritage Lodge

BY HEATHER PAQUETTE
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In October, we started playing Pictionary at the Lodge. On the evening of November 3, a number of residents got together with me to play lawn dice and tell stories.

Over the month, we were entertained by Clarence Smith, Gabe Bayduza, Orest Drobot and friends, Babe Sharkey, and the Mennonite Singers. On the 16th, a group of residents prepared cabbage leaves. Then on the 17th, we took a quick trip to Germany thanks to the Elk Point Library. We also enjoyed tasting some German beer.

The highlights for October were tours to the tea at Sunnyside with the Red Hat Society on October 18th and a Halloween party sponsored by the County FCSS at the Seniors Centre on the 27th. We also had a

Halloween party for everyone who wanted to dress up on the 31st. Volunteer residents handed out goodies later in the day to the little goblins and ghosties appearing at the lodge that evening.

Highlights for the month of November include a van trip to Lloydminster on November 3rd, a shuffleboard tournament on the 10th, "Travel to Australia" on the 21st. Entertainment will be provided by Gabe Bayduza, Babe Sharkey, the Mennonite Singers and the Aussie Singers.

The tour of Quin's Art Studio and the Welcome Home Tea House has been postponed to November, with the date still to be determined.

New volunteers are registering to help us with our projects. Just to let you know, this is treasured and appreciated.

OORP

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Sport suggested that "each lodge should think as a team. Every member has different talents, and all members should practice the principles of charity, justice, love and fidelity if we are to make our lodge a comfortable place to be." She noted that "it doesn't take too much to discourage people. Please treat each other fairly and with respect. Accept new members, involve them and accept their ideas."

Royal Purple should be "promoted with pride," Sport said. "Don't be afraid to strut your good Purple stuff. Portray your image as a caring, fun organization. Make Royal Purple the organization of choice, then hopefully we can reverse the trend and see the OORP grow."

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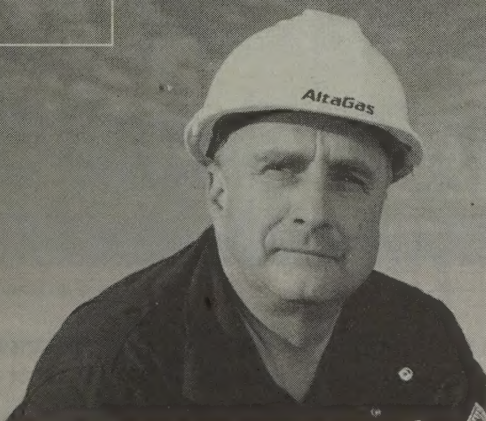
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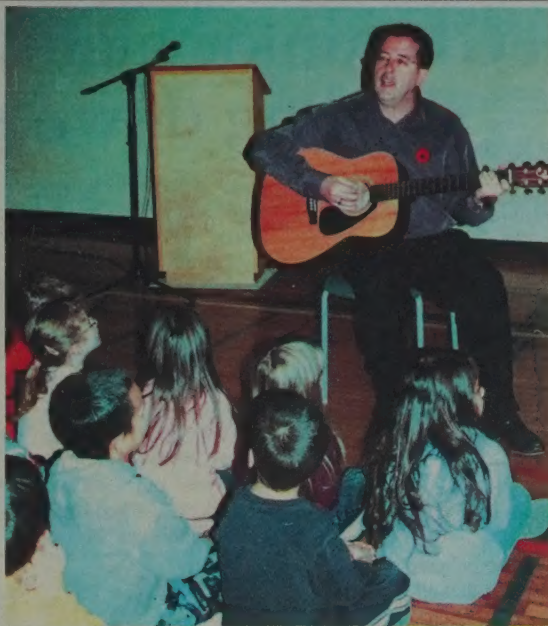
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All grades and guests joined in with vocals as Don Bury played, "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?"

Jodi Kalynchuk recited the classic Remembrance Day poem, "In Flanders Fields."

The morning closed with a moving video, entitled simply, "Soldier."

A new generation remembers as Don Conrad leads them in "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?"



Brody Odgaard and Morgan Baker pause to reflect after placing their poppies on the wreath.

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Aerial Health and Integrity Assessment of Crane, Ethel, Hilda, Marie, Tucker and Muriel Lakes

George Walker, of Walker Environmental, will be presenting the results of the assessment on all the above lakes. George will speak on the methods used to complete the assessments, and give us an indication of how healthy some of the more important lakes in our region are.

Location: Bonnyville Seniors Drop In Centre
Date: November 22, 2006
Public Presentations: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Regional monitoring committees will meet earlier in the day:
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Airshed Zone
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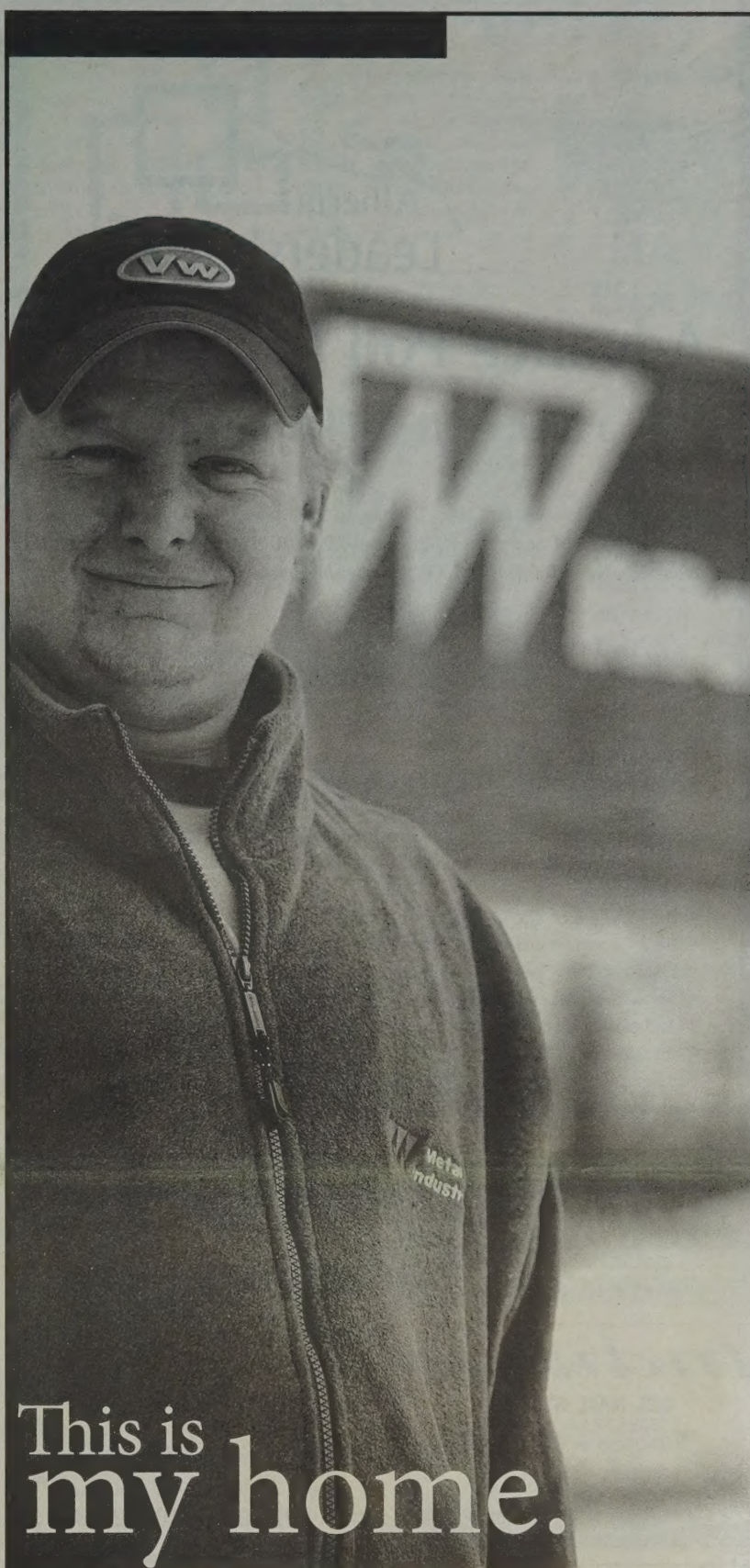
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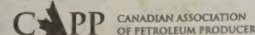
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FGM junior high volleyball winding down season

By MIKE POMERLEAU
Review Contributor

The Elk Point F. G. Miller Crusaders junior high volleyball season is winding down. Both teams look to have secured spots at the S.P.A.A. volleyball playdowns and both are trying to improve and prepare for the County Cup.

The girls' team is a big team this year. There are 16 players and, according to coach Geoff Bishop, it's hard to balance out playing time so that all the girls can play.

"We're doing okay, I think we're in third place right now but having such a big team it's hard to manage playing time. They're playing well. We're a good serving and blocking team, but because we are such a big team it's hard to develop our hitting game and right now that's hurting us."

The Crusaders also have a junior volleyball team made up of Grade 7 players.

"They play in a league against Racette, Glen Avon and Mallaig and they went to a tournament in Vermilion already this season. It's nice to have a junior team just because it gives the girls a chance to develop," said Bishop.

The boys' team is winning as of right now. They're fighting to get a playoff spot like every other

team in their division and, according to their coach Jeff Aarts, are really working hard at the right time of the season.

"They hustle, work hard. They're a great group of kids to coach."

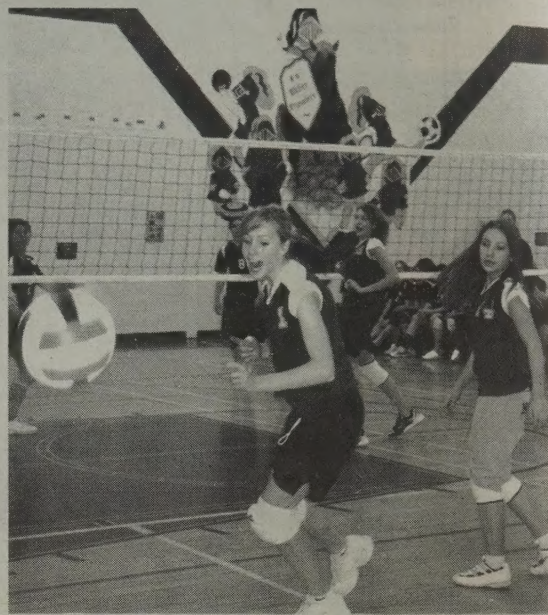
The boys' team is also a very mixed group of boys.

"We have four Grade 9 players, three or four Grade 8 players and six Grade 7 players. It's a good mix of grades and guys who know

each other and who know our system and what it takes to win," said Aarts.

"So far the season has been really good. We're going to Racette this weekend for their tournament and then begin preparing for the S.P.A.A. playdowns, in all it's been a really fun season," said Aarts last week.

They are now preparing for County Cup action this Thursday in St. Paul.



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Councillor concerned about intersection

By JANICE POITRAS
Review Contributor

County of St. Paul council has decided to request that Infrastructure and Transportation lower the speed limit on the section of Highway 28 that passes Ashmont.

Coun. Frank Sloan brought up the issue at council's regular meeting on Nov. 9. He explained that just recently there had been a three-car pileup at the intersection near the school. He explained that lowering the speed limit to 80 km per hour could help reduce accidents.

Sloan said that a year ago he spoke to Transportation officials but so far nothing has been done.

He acknowledged that the intersection couldn't be fixed overnight, but felt "something has to be done."

Councillors unanimously passed a motion to formally request the speed limit be changed.

Ambulances
The Elk Point Ambulance is looking at upgrading to an Advanced Life Support system, which will require a \$53,000 increase in its annual

budget.

The County of St. Paul will be required to pay half of the annual budget if the change is made. Council passed a motion accepting the budget changes as long as ALS service is continually provided.

"Elk Point's the only ambulance service in the northeastern region that doesn't have ALS," said Coun. Glen Ockerman. Elk Point ambulance serves both Elk Point and Frog Lake residents.

"I think we need to support them," said Bouchard of the ambulance service. But, he added that council should "monitor very closely" to make sure ALS service is being provided.

Council expressed concern at the lack of ambulance staff and the difficulties involved in keeping staff in the St. Paul area.

Earlier in the meeting council had also passed a motion to help cover the cost of a remounted ambulance for the St. Paul and District Ambulance. Both the County and the Town are being asked to pay \$20,000 each toward to the remounted ambulance.

Snow removal
Council passed a motion to increase the fee it charges St. Paul Education to remove snow at County schools.

For a number of years the County of St. Paul has been removing and hauling snow at the Ashmont, Mallaig and Heinsburg schools at a cost of \$350 per school. On Thursday, Council felt the \$350 fee was not going to cover the cost of removing the snow.

Councillors admitted that the last couple

years they have been lucky because there hasn't been a lot of snow, but they added that \$350 hardly covers the cost of fuel.

Council increased the fee up to \$450 for this year and will keep track of the exact cost associated with the snow removal.

FCSS board member resigns
Marilyn LaBrecque, a board member representing Division 4 for the County of St. Paul FCSS has resigned from her position.

"We're sorry to see Marilyn go... She was a very good member," said Bouchard. He added that she had been on the board for approximately nine years.

County support
A variety of groups throughout the county will be receiving support from the County of St. Paul.

Council agreed to make donations as per council policy to the St. Paul Historical Museum, Glen Avon School, the St. Paul and District Food Bank, Ashmont Moms and Tots and the Mallaig School Parent Council Committee.

Recreational Facilities Grants also went to Armistice Community Hall, Cork Community Hall, Ferguson Flats Association, Mallaig and District Senior Citizens Club and McRae Recreation Centre Association. Each Recreational grant is worth \$600.

National Adoption Month

On Thursday council passed a motion to proclaim November as National Adoption Awareness Month, as requested by the North Central Alberta Child and Family Services Authority.

Suspect breaches probation

By RACHEL DE WAAL
Review Contributor

One of the 18-year-olds charged in connection with the death of Frog Lake man Rocky Moyah, has been arrested for breaching his probation.

On Nov. 8, the Elk Point RCMP followed up on a tip and arrested Aaron Evan Smith, charging him with four counts of breach of recognizance, according to an RCMP news release.

Smith was granted bail in August, under conditions that included abstaining from drugs and alcohol, keeping the peace and remaining in his grandma's house, unless accompanied by an adult.

Smith was in court Nov. 9 and was remanded in custody and will be back in St. Paul provincial court on Nov. 23.

Six other teenagers, ranging from 12 to 18, were charged in connection with Moyah's death in May and all have been granted bail.

A preliminary hearing for Smith and the other 18-year-old, William Berland, is set for Feb. 5 to 9, 2007.

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School board

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Previously, the board gave \$100 to the top Grade 9 student in each school and \$150 to the top Grade 12 student in each school. It may change that to \$300 for Grade 12, \$200 for Grade 9 and \$100 for Grade 6.

Two Hills Mennonite School

Supt. Doug Yeo said six metal modular buildings, worth \$300,000 each, would be brought to the Two Hills Mennonite School. The portable classrooms are an interim measure until the school can be rebuilt or added on to.

Staffing update

Champagne said staff positions had increased by 13 over what was budgeted, but only by 3.15 compared to last year.

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Wreath of Remembrance

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Trip of the Month

INFORMATION SUBMITTED

The Community Lions of Elk Point have announced their October Trip of the Month Club winners.

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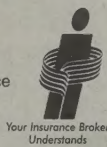
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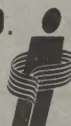
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